

**City of Franklin Common Council  
Regular Meeting Minutes  
December 1, 2014**

The regular meeting of the Common Council of the City of Franklin, Indiana was called to order at 6:00 p.m. at City Hall, 70 E. Monroe Street, with Mayor Joseph E. McGuinness presiding. Council members Joseph Abban, Kenneth Austin, Stephen Barnett, Robert Henderson, Stephen Hougland, and Richard Wertz answered roll call. Clerk-Treasurer Janet P. Alexander, Records Clerk Kristi Bruther, City Attorney Lynnette Gray were also present. Councilor Joseph Ault was absent.

Mayor McGuinness opened the meeting and asked the Clerk-Treasurer to call the roll. Mayor McGuinness led the recitation of the Pledge of Allegiance.

**Consent Agenda**

Mayor McGuinness presented the consent agenda for approval.

- Approval of the November 17, 2014 Common Council Minutes

Council President Barnett made a motion to approve the consent agenda as presented, seconded by Councilor Abban. A voice vote was taken with all members stating aye. The motion carried.

**Old Business**

There was no old business presented.

**New Business**

Council President Barnett, seconded by Councilor Abban, made a motion to read all matters under new Business by title only. A voice vote was taken with all members stating aye. The motion carried.

**Common Council Ordinance No.: 14-13 Authorizing the Issuance of the City of Franklin, Indiana Economic Development Revenue Refunding and Improvement Bonds, Series 2014 (The Franklin United Methodist Home, Inc. Project), and to Loan the Proceeds Thereof to the Franklin United Methodist Home, Inc. and Authorizing and Approving Other Actions In Respect Thereto** - Mayor McGuinness read by title only. Richard Starkey, representative from Barnes and Thornburg, appeared before the Council to request approval of Council Ordinance 14-13: Authorizing the Issuance of the City of Franklin, Indiana Economic Development Revenue Refunding and Improvement Bonds, Series 2014 (The Franklin United Methodist Home, Inc. Project), and to Loan the Proceeds Thereof to the Franklin United Methodist Home, Inc. and Authorizing and Approving Other Actions In Respect Thereto. He explained that the City of Franklin represents a conduit for the funds to allow the Franklin United Methodist Home to secure better interest rates on the bonds, but the City has no obligation on the repayment of the bonds. President Keith Van Deman appeared before the Council to explain the use of the monies and answer any questions. City Attorney Gray reviewed the documents and has approved as to form. She explained that the approval process requires two readings.

The public hearing will be held during the Economic Development Commission meeting December 9, 2014. Clerk Treasurer Alexander disclosed that she is a member of the United Methodist Community

Board of Trustees. This matter is set for adoption at the next meeting to be held December 15, 2014 at 6:00 p.m.

**Common Council Budgetary Resolution No.: 14-07 A Budgetary Resolution Authorizing a Transfer from Planning Department 300 Services to 200 Supplies in the amount of \$5,800.00 -**

Mayor McGuinness read the resolution aloud by title only. City Engineer Underhill appeared before the Council to request approval to transfer \$5,800.00 from 300 Services to 200 Supplies. Council President Barnett, seconded by Councilor Abban, made a motion to approve. A voice vote was taken with all members stating aye. The motion carried.

**Common Council Budgetary Resolution No.: 14-08 A Budgetary Resolution Authorizing a Transfer from Police Department 200 Supplies to 300 Services in the amount of \$15,000.00 -**

Mayor McGuinness read the resolution aloud by title only. Police Chief O'Sullivan appeared before the Council to request approval of a transfer in the amount of \$15,000 .00 from 200 Supplies to 300 Services. Council President Barnett, seconded by Councilor Abban, made a motion to approve. A voice vote was taken with all members stating aye. The motion carried.

**Common Council Budgetary Resolution No.: 14-09 A Budgetary Resolution Authorizing a Transfer from Mayor 300 Services to 200 Supplies in the amount of \$2,500.00 -**

Mayor McGuinness read the resolution aloud by title only. Mayor McGuinness appeared before the Council to request approval for a transfer in the amount of \$2,500.00 from 300 Services to 200 Supplies. Council President Barnett, seconded by Councilor Abban, made a motion to approve. A voice vote was taken with all members stating aye. The motion carried.

**Common Council Budgetary Resolution No.: 14-10 A Budgetary Resolution Authorizing a Transfer from Clerk-Treasurer 300 Services to 200 Supplies in the amount of \$5,000.00 -**

Mayor McGuinness read the resolution aloud by title only. Clerk-Treasurer Alexander appeared before the Council to request approval of a transfer in the amount of \$5,000.00 from 300 Services to 200 Supplies. Council President Barnett, seconded by Councilor Abban, made a motion to approve. A voice vote was taken with all members stating aye. The motion carried.

**Common Council Budgetary Ordinance No.: 14-17 A Budgetary Ordinance Authorizing an Additional Appropriation for Parks 200 Supplies in the amount of \$3,000.00 & Parks 300 Services in the amount of \$27,000.00 -**

Mayor McGuinness read the ordinance aloud by title only. Clerk-Treasurer Alexander appeared before the Council on behalf of Parks Superintendent Orner and requested that the Council act favorably on this matter. This additional appropriation will be made from the Parks Fund in the amount of \$3,000 for Supplies (200) and \$27,000 for Services (300). This matter is for introduction only and will be brought back at the December 15, 2014 meeting.

**Common Council Budgetary Ordinance No. : 14-18 A Budgetary Ordinance Authorizing an Additional Appropriation for Fire Department 300 Services in the amount of \$7,000.00 -**

Mayor McGuinness read the ordinance aloud by title only. Clerk-Treasurer Alexander and Chief Henderson appeared before the Council and requested that the Council act favorably on this matter. The additional appropriation will be made from the General Fund in the amount of \$7,000 for Services (300). The matter is for introduction only and will be brought back at the December 15, 2014 meeting.

### **Council Comments**

Councilor Austin commented that the next Economic Development Commission meeting is scheduled for December 9, 2014 at 8:00 a.m.

Council President Barnett commented that he has been conducting research regarding “Jake Braking” and has requested that the City Attorney assist with the development of an Ordinance.

Councilor Austin commented on his appreciation of police presence along the new truck route.

Mayor McGuinness invited the members and public to the Holiday Lighting festivities on Saturday, December 6, 2014.

### **Adjournment**

As there was no further business to come before the Common Council, a motion and a second were made to adjourn at 6:23p.m. The next regular meeting will be held Monday, December 15, 2014 at 6:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

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Janet P. Alexander, Clerk-Treasurer  
Enrolled: 12/08/2014

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Joseph McGuinness, Mayor

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